

MORE TO LIFE THROUGH GOD

Second Chance, By April Coonfare

Let me first start by saying Happy New Year to all the friends and members of Pentecostals of Billings. I pray that all of you are able to reflect on 2013 with positive memories, and I am believing that 2014 will be a great year for you and for our church as well.

When a new year arrives, it certainly comes with much excitement and hope. Because the calendar has turned, we make it a time for new a beginning or a fresh start on life.

We make our resolutions to change certain habits, we set up new goals that will

hopefully determine our future on the path God wants us, and put to bed all the

things of the past we wish to forget.

The Psalmist writes,

"Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

Cast me not away from your presence and take not your Holy Spirit from me.

Restore in me the joy of your salvation and uphold me with a willing spirit.."

"(Psalm 51:1012).

These are beautiful words written by David when he desperately needed a new start or a second chance.

It was impossible for David to fix these problems on his own, so he went to God as his only hope for change.

Are you in search for a second chance or a new beginning?

We all do in some way, but the change we need doesn't happen by our own determination or will power, at least any kind of lasting change.

We can't make ourselves new, but God can.

I know plenty of people that quite smoking, but started up again after a year or so just because they couldn't do it anymore. Then there are those that come to God and give Him their addiction or bad habits and God keeps them strong and determined and have stayed on the right path for many, many years.

Read those verses for the next month or so and God will be more than willing to renew your heart, restore your joy and give you a willing spirit to do what is right.

We gain strength by the Almighty God, when we are weak.

He makes what we think impossible, possible:

"With man this is impossible, but with God all things are possible."

Matthew 19:26

So as you take this new year by the horns with your goals, put Jesus in the mix and make Him your priority and He will see you thru this year reaching all your new beginnings and gaining a better relationship with the King of Kings.



January 2014

**PENTECOSTALS
OF BILLINGS**

SERVICE TIMES

SUNDAY

10 AM

5:30 PM

**MONDAY
PRAYER- 7 PM**

**WEDNESDAY
7 PM**

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Be Still



Let be and be still, and know (recognize and understand) that I am God. I will be exalted among the nations! I will be exalted in the earth! The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our Refuge (our High Tower and Stronghold). Selah [pause, and calmly think of that]!

—Psalm 46:10–11

One of the reasons so many of us are burned-out and stressed-out is that we don't know how to be still—to “know” God and “acknowledge” Him. When we spend time with Him, we learn to hear His voice. When we acknowledge Him, He directs our paths. If we don't spend time being still, getting to know Him, and hearing His voice, we will operate from our own strength in the flesh.

We need to learn to be quiet inside and stay in that peaceful state so that we are always ready to hear the Lord's voice. Many people run from one thing to the next. Because their minds don't know how to be still, they don't know how to be still. At one time, I felt I had to find something to do every evening. I had to be involved and on the go, being a part of whatever was going on. I didn't want anything to go on that I didn't know about. I was not a human being; I was a human doing.

Lord, teach me how to be still before You and actually “know” that You are God. Help me to be quiet inside and hear Your voice. Amen.

CHURCH PRAYER REQUESTS

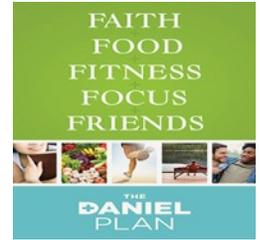


Will Welch
Minnie Hampton
Tyler Sapp
Louie & Dale Dauenhauer
Michael Kruger
The Ehler family
Marty McFate
Carol Penrod
Galen Walter
The Woepfel family
The Plainfeather/Black Eagle family
The Lost Souls in Billings
The Sermon family
Our Nation

If you have a prayer request that you want posted for others to pray for please submit them to my email: coonfare03@yahoo.com



Essentials to the Daniel Plan:



Faith: God is the power and energy behind all transformational change and that includes making the lifestyle choices necessary for you to become healthy. As you follow The Daniel Plan, you will discover that you have a part to play in getting healthier, but God will energize your efforts and give you his strength to do it (Philippians 4:13).

Food: The Daniel Plan is about abundance, not deprivation. You will be invited to eat delicious whole foods that bring vitality and energy to your body and mind. It's all about learning that even your food choices can honor God and his purposes for your life (1 Corinthians 10:31).

Fitness: We believe the most effective form of exercise you can do to achieve lifelong health is the one that you will actually do. We encourage you to discover movement that you will enjoy and treat your body as a gift from God (1 Corinthians 6:19-20).

Focus: In a world where so many distractions compete for your attention, it is more important than ever to renew your mind with truth (Romans 12:2) and break negative thought patterns. Focus your thoughts on God's plan and priorities for your life. Express your gratitude to God and make the choice to dwell in God's goodness.

Friends: When it comes to getting healthy, two are always better than one (Ecclesiastes 4:9). The Bible says God created the universe in such a way that we need each other. One of our key beliefs in The Daniel Plan is that every body needs a buddy because, in truth, we are better together.



Did you know you can listen to the services online now?

Check it out here:

<http://www.pobmt.org/Sermons.aspx>



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RECIPE OF THE MONTH

CRAWFISH CHOWDER

Ingredients:

- 1/4 cup butter
- 1/2 bunch green onions, chopped
- 1/2 cup butter
- 2 pounds frozen crawfish, cleaned
- 2 (10.75 ounce) cans condensed cream of potato soup
- 1 (10.75 ounce) can condensed cream of mushroom soup
- 1 (15.25 ounce) can whole kernel corn, drained
- 4 ounces cream cheese, softened
- 2 cups half-and-half cream
- 1/2 teaspoon cayenne pepper



. Directions

Melt 1/4 cup of butter in a large skillet over medium heat. Saute green onions in butter until tender. Remove from pan, and set aside. In the same skillet, melt 1/2 cup of butter, and saute the crawfish for 5 minutes; set aside.

In a large pot over medium heat, combine potato soup, mushroom soup, corn, and cream cheese. Mix well, and bring to a slow boil. Stir in half-and-half, sauteed green onions, and crawfish. Season with cayenne pepper. Bring to a low boil, and simmer 5 minutes to blend flavors.

Up Coming Events:

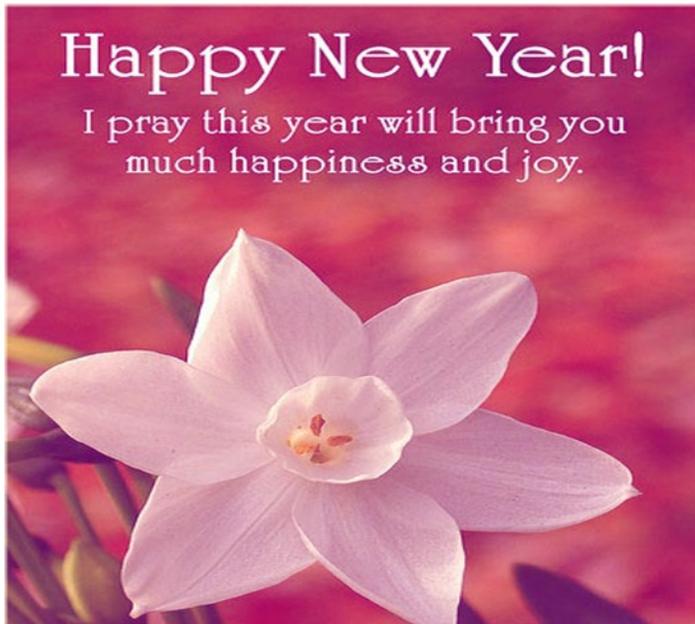
Jan. 25th ~ Quizzing Tournament

Jan. 26th ~ Landmark Video

Feb. 22nd ~ Quizzing Tournament

Feb 27-28th ~ District Men's Meeting Alpine, WY





Lord, I give up all my own plans and purposes, all my own desires and hopes, and accept thy will for my life. I give myself, my life, my all utterly to thee, to be thine forever. Fill me and seal me with thy Holy Spirit. Use me as thou wilt. Send me where thou wilt, and work out thy whole will in my life at any cost, now and forever. Amen.

FROM DOUBT TO FAITH, by Liane Grant



“Then said Martha unto Jesus, Lord, if thou hadst been here, my brother had not died.” (John 11:21)

When Lazarus became seriously ill, Martha knew exactly what to do: send for Jesus. She knew He loved Lazarus, and she knew He was a healer. But the days passed with no sign of him, and Martha’s brother’s body succumbed to death. There was nothing left to do but bury him and wonder why Jesus had not come.

Martha grappled with her faltering faith about God’s will. “I know Jesus could have healed Lazarus, but it’s too late now. He’s dead. It’s impossible. And his body is starting to decay in the tomb.” Finally, Jesus arrived. “Thy brother shall rise again ... Believest thou this?” (John 11:23)

Martha affirmed her belief that all the saints would resurrect at the end of time, but Jesus was asking something more specific. He wanted to know if Martha had faith for a resurrection miracle right then. “She saith unto him, Yea, Lord: I believe...” (John 11:27). There’s the secret to dealing with doubts about God’s will: choosing to believe. Not just in God’s power, but in His timing; believing that He has our best interests at heart.

Prayer: Lord, sometimes I have doubts about Your will, especially when it seems like it’s too late for You to intervene. But Your power over impossibilities transcends time and space, so I choose to believe and to keep walking in Your will.

NEW YEARS RESOLUTIONS



New Year's Day is a perfect time for a fresh start. It's one of the less busy times of the year as everyone recovers from Christmas. Many people are on holidays and have time to reflect and to think about things, and of course, to make new year's resolutions.

What's your new year's resolution going to be? I know I really should hit the gym more regularly in 2014. Though the temptation to hit the chocolate is a strong one (here's a hint: if you're on a diet, stay away from the bottom drawer in my office). Should I resolve to spend more time catching up with old friends, read more books, climb Mount Everest? I don't think that last one is a realistic goal for this year. Maybe next year.

So what are you going to do in 2014?

Here's a suggestion. In 1 Corinthians 2:1-5, Paul said to the Corinthians *"When I came to you, brothers, I did not come with eloquence or superior wisdom as I proclaimed to you the testimony about God. For I resolved to know nothing while I was with you except Jesus Christ and him crucified. I came to you in weakness and fear, and with much trembling. My message and my preaching were not with wise and persuasive words, but with a demonstration of the Spirit's power, so that your faith might not rest on men's wisdom, but on God's power."*

Paul resolved to let nothing get in the way of telling people about Jesus. This would be a very worthy New Year's resolution - to tell your friends, family, neighbors, anyone who will listen about Jesus. To live your life in such a way that nothing can get in the way of introducing people to the savior king.

Now's the time to make the resolution. Now's the time to make preparations. Now's the time to be ready. Read some good Christian books. Attend a training course. Practice on a Christian friend. Do whatever you need to do to tell people that Jesus is the promised one of God and that he died to save us from the punishment we deserve.

In 2014, make a New Year's resolution that will make an impact for the kingdom

Youth Dates JANUARY

Jan. 18th- sledding day!

Jan 31st- Ice Skating at Veterans Park



Check out **SOLD OUT** Youth Group Pentecostals of Billings on Facebook!



JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

2nd~ Tanya LittleOwl

4th~ Noah Ruff

5th~ Dashia Gursky/Monique Lettas

9th~ David Rennich/Lawrence Wittman

15th~ Audrey Lettas

26th~ Ellias Laverdure

31st~ Alissa Wittman/Micah Trevino

Ponder This...

“If you want to be holy, be kind.”

—Frederick Buechner

“I have decided to stick with love. Hate is too great a burden to bear.”

—Martin Luther King Jr.

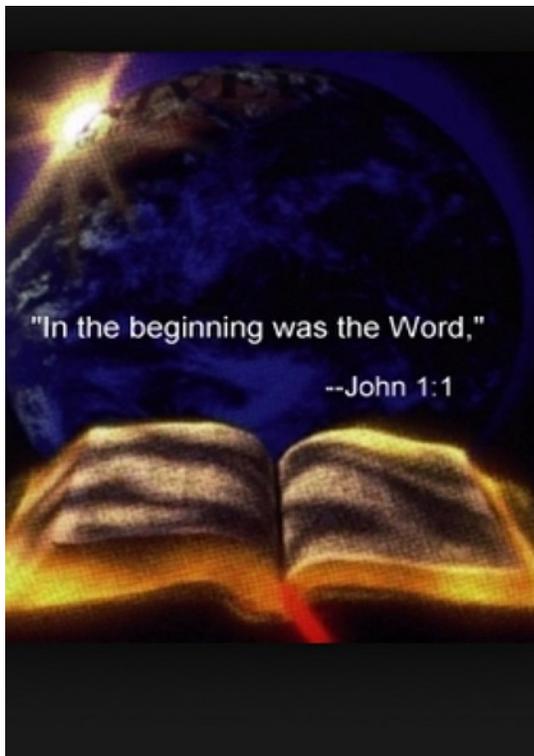
“It gives me a deep, comforting sense that ‘things seen are temporal and things unseen are eternal.’”

—Helen Keller

“This is God’s universal purpose for all Christian suffering:

More contentment in God and less satisfaction in the world.”

—John Piper



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~ LEE STONEKING***

If you would like a Bible study simply give us a call. In your bible we will show you where the Lord commands us, that we are to be born again.

